


CITY *Visions*

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A JOURNEY "UNDER THE SEA"

COME JOIN the fun at the 3rd Annual "Art ala Carte" hands-on art experience for children on Saturday, May 11, at P.A. Walsh School located at 353 W. Main St. Morgan Hill, from 11am - 3pm.

The theme this year is "Under the Sea" with 15 different art projects to make and enjoy. Children, ages 5 to 11, are invited to participate for a donation of \$2.

Children are encouraged to dress for mess and must be accompanied by an adult (no charge). Why not bring dad and make a Mother's Day gift for mom? Lunch will be available from My Pizza for an additional cost. For more information please contact the Recreation Division at 779-7271. 

Article by Theresa Luggert, Recreation Supervisor, 779-7271 or Luggert@ch.morgan-hill.ca.gov

ART a la carte

Master Plan Completed For Sports and Aquatics Complex



AFTER A series of public meetings, the Master Plan for the new Sports and Aquatics Complex was recently completed. Located between Dunne and Tennant Avenues just east of 101, the Complex will include the following:

Aquatics Complex:	50 Meter Pool, 25 Meter Pool, Diving Facility, 2 Recreational Pools, and Pool Building
Soccer Fields:	6 Competitive - Youth and Adult
Softball Fields:	4 Competitive - Youth and Adult
Baseball Fields:	4 Competitive - Youth and Adult
Sand Volleyball Courts:	Competitive Level



The construction of the Complex will be in phases to assist the City in prioritizing and developing the project. Funding for Phase One has been allocated by the Redevelopment Agency and will include the 50-meter competition pool, the 8,000 square foot recreational pool, and the necessary building and parking elements to support them. All of the utility and supporting elements including

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Drama Builds At Community Center




THIS FALL, Morgan Hill will be getting its first live performing arts venue, the new Community Playhouse. The Playhouse, which will seat approximately 200 people, will be a combination of old and new.

The old 1920's Temple Emmanuel Church, that is currently "shrink-wrapped" and sitting on blocks at the Community and Cultural Center Site, will be moved to its permanent location at the south-east-corner of Monterey Road and Fifth Street, rehabilitated, and expanded by 4,000 square feet.

The Playhouse will be part of the overall Community and Cultural Center complex. It will be "home" to the South County amateur theater group, South Valley Civic Theater.

In addition to live theater, the Playhouse will be available to amateur and professional groups for concerts and dance performances. Other anticipated uses include lectures, classes, and recitals.

The final design phase for the project was recently completed and approved by the City's Redevelopment Agency with a \$2.5 million budget. Construction is slated to start in May and will be completed by the end of the year.

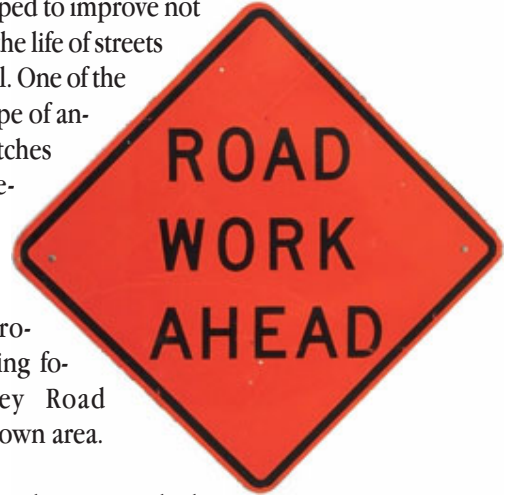
With construction of the Community and Cultural Center currently underway and the Playhouse project soon to follow, these are some very exciting times for Morgan Hill! 

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Monterey Getting a Carefully Planned Face Lift

FOR THE past several years, our street resurfacing program has helped to improve not only the look, but also the life of streets throughout Morgan Hill. One of the chief benefits of this type of annual work is that it stretches public dollars by preventing more severe problems. This year will be no exception with a resurfacing program starting this spring focusing on Monterey Road throughout the downtown area.



City staff has been coordinating with the Chamber of Commerce to plan the work so that it occurs during a season when the inconvenience can be minimized to downtown merchants. It was determined that the best season for the work would be in the spring, providing that the work be completed by July Fourth. With these parameters in mind, the work will commence soon and be completed by early June.

Every effort will be made to minimize traffic disruptions, including scheduling of the work so that it avoids peak traffic hours. During construction, Monterey Road will be closed AFTER the morning peak traffic, and work will cease just prior to the afternoon peak traffic.

During work hours, traffic will be detoured to Butterfield Boulevard. However, side streets will remain open so access to downtown businesses will be possible via Depot and Del Monte avenues. Merchants will be sent more information about specific project scheduling as the work progresses.

Any further questions about this project work can be directed to the Public Works Department at 776-7337. 

Article by Jay Jaso, Management Analyst, 776-7337 or jayj@pw.morgan-hill.ca.gov

COMMUNITY GUIDE

CHANNEL 17 PROGRAMMING

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

REGULAR SESSION: 5/1 7PM LIVE
5/2 NOON REPLAY
5/4 8PM REPLAY
5/5 NOON REPLAY

REGULAR SESSION: 5/15 7PM LIVE
5/16 NOON REPLAY
5/18 8PM REPLAY
5/19 NOON REPLAY

JOINT RDA SESSION: 5/22 7PM LIVE
5/23 NOON REPLAY
5/25 8PM REPLAY
5/26 NOON REPLAY

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS

REGULAR SESSION: 5/14 7PM LIVE
5/15 NOON REPLAY
5/18 8PM REPLAY
5/19 NOON REPLAY

REGULAR SESSION: 5/28 7PM LIVE
5/29 NOON REPLAY
6/1 NOON REPLAY
6/2 8PM REPLAY

FIRE SAFETY INSIDE & OUT 9:30AM & 4:30PM DAILY
FRIDAY 7PM

FUGITIVE WATCH 11:00AM, & 6:00PM DAILY
SANTA CLARA COUNTY'S MOST WANTED FRIDAY 8:30PM

COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

Compost Workshop • May 14

Attendees of Morgan Hill Home Composting workshops discover the benefits of gardening using their own compost. The next class is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14, from 7PM-9PM at the YMCA. To register for this free workshop, call the Home Composting Education Program at 918-4640.

Bike To Work Day • May 16

Peddle and do your part for air quality, energy conservation and your health. Not to mention, it's fun!

Blood Drive • May 20

Join us from 10:00 am - 3:00 PM in City Hall, Council Chambers 17555 Peak Ave., Morgan Hill. To schedule an appointment, contact the American Red Cross at 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543) or you can sign up online at www.beadonor.com

Memorial Day • May 27

City offices closed. Regular garbage and recycling services.

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DID YOU KNOW? PHONE BOOKS ARE RECYCLABLE...

City Budget Ready For Public Input Process

IT'S BUDGET Season here at City Hall. The City Council will hold a public hearing in early June, and the budget should be adopted in mid-June.

Key dates to remember:

May 15th - Proposed budget presentation at the general City Council meeting; June 15th - Public Hearing for the proposed budget; June 19th - Presentation of proposed budget for City Council adoption.

These dates are subject to change. Please check with the City at a later time for confirmed dates. ☀

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pumps, cleaners, and infrastructure for the entire Aquatics Complex will be installed to ease the development of future phases. These phases will be funded through private partnerships with community support.

The architect selection process has begun for this phase with a project budget of \$8.2 million. The design phase for Phase One will begin this summer with construction slated to begin in late-2003. ☀

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Rec Fun Planned For Village Avante

THE RECREATION Program is providing recreational activities such as sports, arts, crafts, and more at Village Avante.

The Mobile Recreation Van will be there Mondays and Wednesdays from 2- 4. For more information on how you can participate in this free program, or to learn of the Rec Van schedule at a park near you, call the City's Recreation Division at 779-7271. ☀

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